

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Alice Alvera (Johnson) Rilling was born on March 3, 1915, in Sully County on the Johnson homestead; and,

*Whereas*, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

*Whereas*, Alice was united in marriage to Russell Rilling in 1930, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and to this union, five children were born: Donna, Gene, Alice, Ronald and Mark, she has fourteen grandchildren, twenty-seven great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren; and,

*Whereas*, Russell and Alice bought their first farmstead near Whitlock Crossing at Forest City and later settled east of Pierre on the river bottom where Alice raised flowers and produce that were her pride and joy; and,

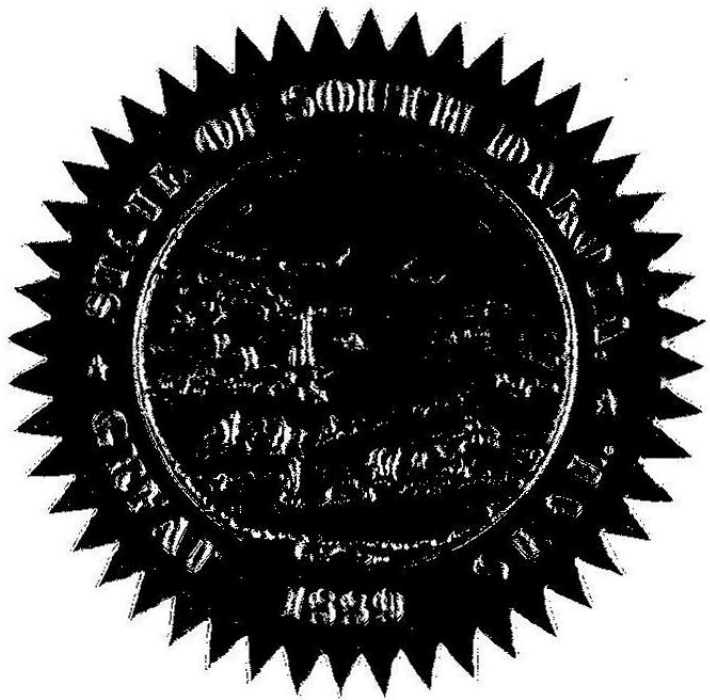
*Whereas*, Alice is known for her good cooking, home-made jam, and her love for visiting with friends and meeting new people; and,

*Whereas*, Alice will observe her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

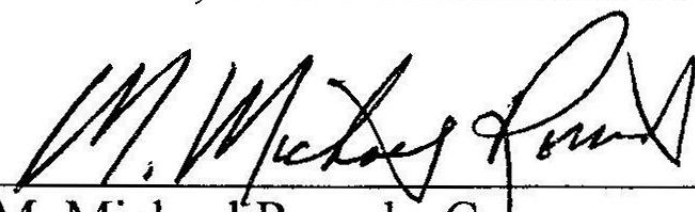
*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 3, 2005, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her friends and relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this First Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State